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KEENORA'S FIRST TRIP

For the Season of 1901—A Full Passenger List and a Heavy Cargo of Freight.

One of the jolliest parties that ever left Rat Portage was aboard the SS. Keenora on Saturday night last when she left on her first trip of the season. Amongst them were some of our local celebrities, viz: Mayor Cameron, Coun. W. G. Cameron, Geo. Drewry, Geo. A. Graham, pres. R. R. Nav, Co., Walter Ross, vice-pres. J. E. Horne, Wm. Margach, Roseberry Smith, D. Mosher, of Fort Frances; H. C. Percival, Mine Centre; W. M. Gordon, Inspector of Jont. Express, Co.; J. White, civil engineer N. P. Ry. Co. With the exception of a small quantity on the little traverse, no ice was encountered. The big traverse was entirely free.

Following is a full list of the first class passengers:

W. Gares, Oshawa; Alan Cameron, Beaver Mills; John Crocker, Dublin; F. A. Rees, Winnipeg; E. A. Connell, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lunn, Fort Frances; Mrs. Gill and son, Emo; Mrs. Myers, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. George, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Corless and family, Lancaster, Eng.; Mrs. Conker, Sturgeon Falls; Mrs. Leblanc, Fort Frances; Mrs. Christian, Rat Portage; Mrs. Westwick and infant, Toronto; Capt. J. Lloyd, Duluth; Jos. Mullan, Port Arthur; Harry Dugan, Quebec; Mr. J. Sanders, Sakejess; Mine J. Williams, Liverpool, Eng.; Alex. Peterson, Norway; W. A. Gay, London, Ont.; R. E. Bennett, Walkerville; Daniel Mosher, Fort Frances; A. Corless, Esq. F. J. Watts, Boucherville; E. Lynch, J. Mitchell, Beaver Mills; Geo. S. Lang, Emo; John S. Clamplitt, Toronto; L. T. Darch, Montreal; Henry Wilson, Toronto; J. Dawson, Montreal; W. Beaumont, Montreal; Renton Bradford, Murdoch Cameron, Vancouver; J. T. Horrie, Fort William; Capt. L. Hooper, Geo. Drewry, Walter Ross, E. W. Brydges, Wm. Margach, J. P. Wiggington, J. B. Davies, W. G. Cameron, Rat Portage.

Among the officers of the steamer there is little or no change. The ever popular Capt. Thompson commands, J. Yorko Baker is chief engineer, with James Eldridge as 2nd engineer. A. McKenzie is purser with H. Carruthers as assistant. John Wright ("stand to your lines") is mate, and the genial "phiz" of Mr. Frazer-Crierie again welcomes the passengers on board and attends to their requirements on the journey. The old chef "Darkey" Brown is missing this year. A. Drynan taking his place with J. Williams as assistant.

An Interesting Decision.

The following judgment by Judge Chapple in a division court suit will be of interest to many. The case was between W. Walker, plaintiff; and Geo. Swanson, defendant:

"This is an action brought to recover the sum of \$107.29, being the balance alleged to be due upon a promissory note made by defendant bearing date August 6, 1894, and payable two months after that date to Campbell & Co. for \$189.00 and interest. The last payment made by defendant on account of said note was \$81, paid on the first of February, 1895, and endorsed thereon by the holder. The writ of summons was issued on the 11th day of February, 1901. After being served with the writ herein the defendant wrote to the plaintiff's solicitor claiming there was something wrong and that he had no money, to go into court, but was willing to pay what he owed. The plaintiff's solicitor claimed this letter sufficient acknowledgment to take it out of the statute of limitations. 'As the authorities show the words used as little different from what is sufficient acknowledgment to take it out of the statute and what are not, I reserved judgment, and after careful consideration of the authorities I am of the opinion that the defendant's letter of the 28th of February, 1901, above referred to, is not sufficient acknowledgment of the debt to take it out of the statute.'

The law is quite clear that if at the time of the acknowledgment of the existence of the debt, such acknowledgment in a way to repel the presumption of a promise to pay, then it will not be evidence of a promise sufficient to revive the debt and take it out of statute. Now, in the defendant's letter I cannot find a promise to

pay. He says, 'I have no money to go to any court with and I am willing to pay what I owe.' In this there is no promise sufficient to revive the debt, which was outlawed before action.

"There are a number of insufficient acknowledgments as:—I cannot afford to pay my new debts, much less my old ones.—Knott & Farren, 1 D. & Ry., 170.

"I will see my attorney and tell him to do what is right.—Miller & Caldwell, 3 D. & Ry., 267.

"Send me your bill and if just I will not give you the trouble of going to law.—Spong & Wright, 9 M. and W., 627.

"A statement that he owed nothing but offering \$50 rather than have trouble.—Spalding & Parker, 3 U. C. R., 64.

"Where the fair effect of a letter is that the writer is not certain whether the debt is owing, it is insufficient.—Collinson & Margesson, 27 L. J. Ex. 305.—McCormack & Bervay, 1 U. C. R., 288.

"I therefore find this claim, if any, is not brought within six years after the cause of action arose and dismiss the action with costs."

T. W. CHAPPLE, Judge.
May 3rd, 1901.

A LUCKY SPECULATOR.

Mr. A. P. Chouteau of Toronto Realized Enough to Enable Him to Retire.

Mr. A. P. Chouteau, a well-known newspaper man in Toronto, and for some time past financial editor of one of the city papers, has retired from active work, and is going to enjoy a short rest. That Mr. Chouteau is able to do this is due to successful speculations on the stock market. Mr. Chouteau for some time past has been exceptionally lucky. Recently Mr. Chouteau was one of the heaviest speculators in Toronto, and his judgment almost invariably resulted in an increase to his bank account. He has consistently followed the bull movement up to a few days ago, when he cleared up pretty nearly all his holdings and took his profits. The latter are large enough to enable Mr. Chouteau to live comfortably if he keeps out of the market.

JACKSONVILLE'S GREAT FIRE.

Thousands Homeless—The Loss Placed at Over \$10,000,000.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 4.—Jacksonville's great fire, which began yesterday, has hurried itself out. One hundred and forty-eight blocks of a beautiful city have been laid waste. The loss will not be known, even approximately, for a week, but it is believed it will amount to \$10,000,000.

There are many rumors about loss of life, but as every rumor is in the

A VERY DISASTROUS FIRE

Cameron & Heap's Warehouse and Valuable Contents Destroyed.

About 12 o'clock Saturday night fire was discovered in the rear of Cameron & Heap's big warehouse on the lake front. The building being frame the fire spread with wonderful rapidity and almost before the alarm could be sounded it was seen that the building was doomed.

The brigade was shortly on hand and also that of the Lumber Co. and did everything possible to check the progress of the flames, and it was lucky that the fire was confined to the building in which it originated. The houses of Town clerk Currie and Mr. Sharman had a close call, but the active work of the firemen prevented anything worse than a scorching.

The warehouse and stable were completely destroyed along with the contents.

One account of the heavy spring trade, Cameron & Heap had a very large stock of groceries, provisions etc. in the building, ready to fill orders for Rainy River trade. They were unable to save anything.

The stock was partially covered by insurance in the following companies: Norwich Union \$1,500; Alliance \$1,500; Calidonian \$1,500; London & Lancashire \$1,500; and the Manchester \$2,000. They also lost two valuable horses.

Mr. Sharman's house was damaged to the extent of about \$50, covered by insurance. The Electric Light company's poles and wires were also damaged to the extent of about \$50.

With the energy characteristic of the firm Cameron & Heap were doing business just as lively as ever yesterday taking and filling orders at their up-town office as if they had not suffered one of the most severe set-backs a business house had ever sustained in Rat Portage. They completed arrangements a few hours after the fire so that their many customers will experience no delay in the shipment of goods.

Great credit is due the Rat Portage Lumber Co.'s fire brigade for their promptness in getting to the fire. Had it not been for them the houses of Messrs. Currie and Sharman would most likely have been destroyed.

Romance of the South African War

Toronto, May 2.—Mrs. Catherine Wright, who had been before the magistrate on one occasion, charged

understood when it is explained that \$3,020,000 messages were sent, for the \$15,000,000. The price of service is remarkably low as compared with rates in this country. An increase of 2 cents a message on the above rates would have afforded a profit above all expenses. Germany owns her telegraph system, which covers 87,513 miles and employs \$30,434 miles of wire. The profits of operation in 1890 amounted to 30,705,024 marks, or nearly \$1,000,000. In Germany the government has adopted a policy of making the service pay for itself. France operates her postal and telegraph service under one control. The joint profits of the service in 1890, were nearly \$10,000,000. There are many arguments for as well as against national control of communications and Canada will have an opportunity to demonstrate the practicability of the plan in a sparsely settled country.

THE WATER WORKS BY-LAW.

There seems to be some difference of opinion by the members of the council in regard to the passage of the \$25,000 water works extension by-law without submitting it to the people. Some of the members are unwilling to assume the responsibility of supporting the measure, while they express a willingness to send it to the people.

We do not see why this should be the case as the statutes give the council full power to pass the by-law without submitting it to the ratepayers. This is one of the cases in which it would not probably be wise to accept the mandate of a majority of the ratepayers, from the fact that the majority are now served with the water works and they might be self-sufficient to deny the luxury to their fellow ratepayers not so advantageously situated as regards water mains. The majority however, will not deny the minority the luxury of paying taxes upon the system from which they are not at present privileged to enjoy the benefits.

If the residents of the northern part of the town and other outlying sections are not to be allowed to have the water service, we contend they should not be asked to pay the full amount of their taxes on the water works debentures. Of course they have fire protection from the service, but that is not sufficient. The ratepayers of the west ward are not required to pay taxes on the system from the fact that it was found impossible at present to extend it to that portion of the

TWO BROTHERS IN COMMONS.

Contrast Between the Premier and His Elder Brother in Parliament.

During one of the debates last week this House was treated to the somewhat unusual spectacle of the two Lauriers side by side in the front row of Liberal benches, says the Toronto Star. Ordinarily, Charlesmagne Laurier does not make himself so conspicuous. Ordinarily, this little gray-haired old man sits away over on the back benches reserved for the overflow Liberals, owing to the excessive partiality of the electors of Canada for the Liberal party, have to sit on the Opposition side. Charlesmagne Laurier, the representative of L'Assomption, is the half-brother of the premier—the same father, but child of a first wife of Carolus Laurier, the premier being the only son by the second wife.

Charlesmagne Laurier is 10 years older than his distinguished half-brother, and he looks it. He is one of the silent ones, a regular attendant at the sittings, but an incommunicative one. There he sits in his seat, day after day, his iron gray hair barely discernible behind the heads of the other occupants of the Opposition benches taking no part in the discussions and going and coming so quietly as ordinarily to attract little, if any notice. It is interesting to wonder sometimes what Charlesmagne Laurier thinks about it all. What fancies pass through the busy brain beneath that iron-gray thatch? Does he ever meditate on the tricks fate plays upon her mortal puppets? Does he ever envy the distinguished brother so near to him by blood ties, so far above him in the political world? Does he ever wonder at the fickle goddess who makes of one brother the first Commander of all the land and of the other an obscure, silent back-bencher? Does he ever wish to change places with his distinguished half-brother, to barge the peaceful quiet of his semi-obscurity for the trials and tribulations, the rewards and the worries of those who sit in the fierce, white heat of publicity? Doubtless, strange thoughts sometimes chase themselves through the brain of this quiet little man on the back benches but it is doubtful if the older brother brogudes the younger his greatness. If he does he gives no sign.

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

The Regular Monthly Session Held Last Night.

The regular meeting of the town council was held last night. Councilmen, Brydson, Belyea, Chadwick, Hudson and Horswill were present.

Coun. Horswill was appointed chairman and acting-mayor in the absence of Mayor Cameron.

The report of the town clerk of the return of the assessment roll by Assessor Donkin was received and adopted.

The chairman of the board of works was authorized to proceed with the erection of the sidewalk between 3rd and 6th streets, to be governed by the petition for same under frontage tax.

The bylaw to regulate the closing of certain shops in the town of Rat Portage was read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

The council went into committee of the whole, with Coun. Belyea in the chair, on the second reading of the bylaw to raise the sum of \$25,000 for the extension of the waterworks system. After considerable discussion the committee rose and reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

The bylaw to regulate the impounding of cattle was read the first time.

A bylaw to appoint a committee known as the "waterworks committee" was read a first time.

The Sultana Mine.

A gold brick of 180 ozs. (\$3,240) was brought in from the Sultana mine yesterday the result of 10 days run of the 2nd stamp mill.

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There are many rumors afloat of loss of life, but as every undertaker in the city was burned out, it is impossible to obtain an official report. One story which is persistently reiterated is to the effect that a party of men and woman, driven to the docks by the fire, were compelled to jump into the water and that several of them were drowned. Mrs. Hogan, a negro woman was burned in her house and her charred remains were buried this afternoon.

The burned district is thirteen blocks wide and two miles long, and extends from the St. John's river, where it burned ten docks to the water's edge, to Catherine street on the east, Orange on the north, and Davis to the west. This immense area was swept as clean as the floor. The city is under martial law and all of the available state militia is on duty in the streets of Jacksonville. Some order is being brought out of the confusion. Jacksonville is facing the emergency calmly and has organized for relief. Ten thousand people are homeless, and many of them left on the afternoon and night trains for St. Augustine and other coast cities and near-by towns, while numerous river craft took many to places on the St. John's river.

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Toronto, May 2.—Mrs. Catherine Wright, who had been before the magistrate on one occasion charged with stealing \$300 from Frank McElroy, agreed this morning to repay the sum in installments of \$5 a month. The case is one of the romances of the South African war. McElroy was a member of the first contingent and when he left for the front he was engaged to Mrs. Wright's daughter, a comely young girl. He sent her \$300 from Africa to be used in buying the furniture for housekeeping. Miss Wright gave the money to her mother to keep and the latter spent it. Then the young lady discovered a young man who was "niece" than McElroy and became engaged to him. When McElroy came home he found both money and sweetheart gone, and after thinking the thing over decided to prosecute Mrs. Wright for the amount.

Slump in Stocks Killed Him.

New York, May 3.—A tragic feature of the slump in the stock market this afternoon was the sudden death of John Kee, 55 years old, in the brokerage of Jacob Berry & Co. at 44 Broadway. He sat close to the ticker, and was listening intently to the quotations that were being read off. When the decline became severe Kee turned pale and, uttering a low cry, fell to the floor. He died in a few minutes. The manager of the brokerage office said: "Kee had been on the right side of the market up to the time of the break."

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A beautiful assortment of Art Denims in very pretty designs at 35c, 50c per yard.

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The members of the town council have the right to pass the by-law and they should have no hesitancy in doing so as they are placed there to protect the rights of the minority as well as advance those of the majority.

We believe if the question was sufficiently ventilated and the by-law went before the people that the very fairness of the measure would secure its passage, for we do not believe that one ratepayer would willingly consent to have privileges which his neighbor has not, and yet both pay equally. Nevertheless there is the danger that the question would not be properly understood, and the majority of ratepayers thinking only of economy and not of justice, would vote against the by-law, and thus deprive those who are paying taxes equally with themselves from having equal service.

CANADIAN GIRL KIDNAPPED.

Mabel Vaughan, Daughter of a Wealthy
Soo Resident, Missing.
Saint Ste. Marie, May 3.—Mable, the 14-year-old daughter of William Vaughan, a wealthy resident of the Canadian Soo, went, to her room as usual Tuesday night, since which time she has not been seen. She is supposed to have been kidnapped. Two men were arrested to-day on suspicion. All the surrounding country and towns on both sides of the river are being searched for a clue to the missing girl.

ONE KILLED, SEVERAL INJURED.

Result of an Explosion in Helen Mine at Michipicoten.
Michipicoten, May 3.—One man was killed and several injured in an explosion which took place in the Helen mine.

The Mikado Mine.

T. R. Deacon, local director of the Mikado Mining Co., brought in a couple of gold bricks yesterday, the result of the usual semi-monthly clean-up at the mine.

Three Children at a Birth.

St. John, N.B., May 2.—The wife of Benj. Russell, employed in the C.P.R. round house at St. Stephen, has just presented him with three children, increasing his family from 8 to 11.

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To the Editor of the Miner:
Dear Sir:—Close following the magnificent gold brick brought in from the Sultan mine comes a supply of similar yellow boys from the Mikado. And still the scoffer scoffs, and still the cry of the doubter is heard in the land, but the pudding, you will remember, is proved in the eating thereof. The managers of these two mines have put in their thumbs and pulled out the plums, and I, like the rest of those interested in the district, feel like shouting "Go it my hearties!"
Yours Truly,
MINKA.

The British Census.

London, May 3.—The population of London, including the city of London and 28 metropolitan boroughs, the whole forming what is termed the Administrative County of London, is now 4,530,041. This is an increase of 307,717 since the last census in 1891.

According to the first instalment of census returns, issued by the Registrar-General tonight, 64 English and Welsh boroughs show increases, Bath, Chester and Huddersfield show decreases. The Borough of West Ham, with an increase of 62,405, is the largest increase recorded.

Fire in a Gold Mine.

Michipicoten, May 3.—A fire in the Grace gold mine has done damage to the extent of \$12,000.

"One good way in which to make Chicago 'cleaner' or 'prettier,' says the Chicago Chronicle, "is for each citizen to see that his own premises are clean, or beautified. When he has done that then he is entitled to ask his neighbor to follow suit."

The dividend disbursements by the mining and metallurgical industries of the United States during the three months ending March 31, this year, as collected by the Engineering and Mining Journal, were very heavy, 124 companies having paid the large sum of \$20,000,042. This total would be materially increased were it possible to include the dividends paid by private and close corporations that do not report.

party which insists "that is right and proper, and the heart of the matter" is inevitable that hard blows should be given and taken. Drawing-room etiquette is out of place on the battlefield, although a gentleman can be a gentleman on the battlefield as well as in the drawing-room. But there is no earthly reason why the aggressiveness of the campaign should prevail between fights.

Mr. Borden's speech last night was in excellent taste. He paid graceful and well-merited tributes to Sir Charles Tupper and the Hon. George Foster, and defined the main outlines of his policy in a manner to which it would be hard to take exception. He was particularly emphatic in his condemnation of his policy of trading upon race-prejudices and in his determination to adhere to the principles and traditions of the party he leads. — Montreal Star.

PLANT TREES.

Every one who owns a plot of land in town should look around it and see if it is not possible to plant a few trees. Now is the time to do it, and during the next few days the little gardens in front of Rat Portage houses should be improved by the setting out of trees, and the conversion of unlovely plots of land and rocks into attractive little gardens. Rat Portage is probably one of the most difficult towns in the province in which to make attractive lawns. But we realize those who have earnestly made an endeavor to improve their places have made a success and now have pretty green lawns. The earth covering the rocks may not, be thick, but with the assistance of a water pot the grass is kept in splendid condition. A little time and work spent in improvements of this kind pays well as an investment. A tree or plot of green which may cost you a few hours work today will add many dollars to the value of your property in a few years, besides the beauty of it, which you enjoy every day. If for no other reason, property owners should improve their holdings by planting trees because it will pay them to do so in the near future.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Compared with our neighbors we are far behind the times. The territory of the mining operations is extensive the most extensive in the world, and the output of, almost, any one mining State exceeds the production of all Ontario. Yet, on January 5th, 1900, the Engineering and Mining Journal of New York published a complete estimate of the production and value of all minerals mined in every State in the Union in 1898. Compared is unnecessary, and no necessity exists why Ontario should not be as up-to-date as any other country instead of being far behind the worst of them, in the publication of statistics bearing upon this most important industry. We have frequently advocated the governments requiring all mining companies to furnish it with monthly returns the same as are required in other provinces and most of the states. Were this plan adopted and the statistics kept under a proper system then

Electric power generated on the Yuba river, 140 miles away, is now used in operating the street cars in Oakland, California. This is said to be the longest transmission of electric power in the world. The power is generated by turbine wheels. The cable, 140 miles in length, is six-tenths of an inch in diameter and is of copper with aluminum alloy, which will prevent oxidation. The test was one of the most successful in the history of electricity, a current of 10,000 volts having been transmitted the entire distance with a loss not to exceed 5 per cent. Under that showing experts said the voltage could be increased until there would be practically no loss of current. The current used was the alternating current, transmitted through a motor at the power station, as a voltage of 10,000 was greatly in excess of the power needed. On Monday power will be transmitted over the company's lines to San Jose, a distance of 100 miles from the generating plant.

The people of Canada have not found much cause of late to rejoice over certain phases of public life and of parliamentary government in this country. Neither the late sessions of the Manitoba and the Ontario legislature nor the current session of the Dominion parliament can add to the confidence of the people in the wisdom, foresight or rectitude of a certain element in our politics, that evidently has not in both parties and bears an amount of the fruit altogether out of proportion to the apparent size of the plant. Parliament may not be venal, but if a considerable number of members of parliament are more afraid of corporation bogey men than of the people they represent, and fall down every time the former threaten dire deeds, we might as well have venal and corrupt legislatures. Lack of courage is responsible for the most of the public transactions that have a shady appearance. Fear of the thing that might happen in the event of some one wagging his head if such and such a thing were not done or such and such an other thing were done, has spoiled many a promising public career and made many a man who would never exhibit cowardice in his private affairs look like a scared puppy. The worst that might happen is generally not so bad as it seems if we only have the courage to face it. Influences that are supposed to be powerful in the election of members of parliament are generally as frightened of the man of originality and courage, as the weak and easily scared person is of such influences. The rings and combinations that are supposed to hold the destinies of public representatives in their hands are as often as not, hanging up the hol-

liday curtain to each other to be cultivated or retain what each felt to be due. There is nothing one should be quicker in marriage than the first tendency to let one discuss the necessities of the other before a third person. Nothing is more fatal and nothing is more vulgar. No one can ever take a greater liberty with the other. These personalities are never funny, though they are often made to be so, as family jokes brought out for the entertainment of the stranger. Were I to write such a letter as that mother described, I should like to beg that nagging be prohibited, and teasing secrete; that mutual conceits be indulged; that every other appointment in the other's life be regarded as an opportunity for helping that other, and not as an excuse for alienation; and I should beg that the one who had a trouble share it with the other, so that neither go about with evidences of worry while the other is not making the matter. "Oh, nothing," in answer to a loving enquiry from husband or wife, sensitive to disturbed conditions in one loved is often the first wedge which ultimately drives both apart. — Harper's Bazar.

The Walter Girl's Revenge.

A Cleveland newspaper man has been roaming through the interior of the state enjoying his week's vacation on a roving assignment of his own making. Mentioned on his travels, with his pocket camera in constant readiness, he bore away from the launds of civilization with a light heart and still lighter baggage. On his journeyings he fell in one afternoon with three choice spirits, and the four sat down to a meal in the basement of a rural hostelry together, and in company sought the supper table. They were waited upon by a decidedly pretty girl of very shy manners whom they immediately proceeded to make themselves at home with. They pruned her looks, her manners and her graces, and they regaled her with all the choice witticisms they could remember, that, reflected on the robust butler and the azure-milk and the ice-cream tea. She could be pretty, but there was a dangerous gleam in her eyes when they finally backed from the table with a "ta, ta, Mamie."

Next morning, at the breakfast table, her bashful mood had vanished. She laughed immoderately at all their wisecracks over jokes, and seemed strangely exhilarated.

When the boys went for their wheels they fancied they found the reason for her excessive jollity. Through each of the four tires a hat pin had been dexterously thrust.

It was the scorned waiter girl's revenge. — Cleveland Plain Dealer.

One Woman's Way.

A woman carrying a fan, an umbrella, a pocketbook, a handkerchief, and a loose glove stood on a bank street crosswalk and waited for a car. Twice she was forced by approaching vehicles to run back to the sidewalk and once she dodged a wheelman so awkwardly that he was obliged to tumble off his wheel to avoid running over her. While she stood on the crosswalk she dropped her handkerchief twice and her umbrella, and glove once each. Then it must have occurred to her that her hat might not be on straight and so she shoved the umbrella under one arm and the fan under the other, and putting the pocketbook, the handkerchief and the glove between her teeth, she clutched at her hat with both hands. This spilled the fan and umbrella, and in picking up these she must have coughed or sneezed, for the rest of her belongings promptly fell from her mouth to the pavement. Of course when the car came along she was on the wrong side of the street to take it and, after she had walked around, she must have remembered she had forgotten something. Any way the car went on and she returned to the sidewalk, dodging cars and pedestrians and dropping something every two or three yards.

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'Tis that along the way no more I hold
Your hand and hear your heart's remembered
word.
'Tis that in debate manions at the door,
Your heart, you knock no more!

'Tis that your dwelling now so lonely seems,
And in the starless midnight I can hear
The rustle of the curtains in my dreams,
Knowing that but the ghost of love is there!
'Tis that I stand a ghoul at the door,
Dear, where you knock no more!

'Tis when the depths of all my soul are stirred
With passionate grief for a remembered day,
There comes this thought: "Did I not miss some
word
Which might have made the light shine on your
way—
Some flower I have fitted from the dew,
Or the lily of you?"

Oh, lonely dwelling, "bloom the withering vines,
One bright with death, now loath to die
Of heart's heart."
No wreath of love the ruined garden weds;
Out of the darkness come "Good night! Good
night!"
Never "Good night!" at the lonely door,
Dear, for you knock no more!

—Atlanta Constitution.

AFTER TWELVE
MIDNIGHT

The man who speaks loudly in public
places of the valuation of his sideboard
and the insecurity of his front door
may safely be put down as an amiable
idiot. Yet Thomas Nedham of the firm
of Nedham & Wilkins was no fool. He
was reputed to be a dute man of busi-
ness, who knew how to keep his count-
sent when his money was at stake, and
yet here he was tonight, on the front
seat of a crowded omnibus, boasting to
his neighbor that his silver plate was
the best in all Hampstead.

"Purloined?" he laughed in answer to
a question. "I have been 33 years a
householder, and never one of the gen-
try has deigned to visit me. I often
think that the man who takes no pre-
caution comes off best in this matter. I
have known some men spend a fortune
in locks and bolts and have a house-
breaker in as regularly as a chimney
sweeper. You did not know my partner,
Wilkins? He's been dead these dozen
years, and before things went wrong
with him and I bought him out he had
a collection of coins worth £1,000. Well,
he kept the treasure in a room whose
windows were sheathed nightly in
heavy shutters, bolted and bolted
again. But of course he rose one fine
morning to find the lot gone. That
broke the old fellow's heart, and from
then till they placed him in Norwood
cemetery he was never off the rocks."

As the old gentleman proceeded in
a long voice to tell stories of the
burglaries that he had known to befall
his friends the tall young fellow in-
conspicuously behind him showed signs of
impatience. He shifted uneasily in
his seat, and as ever and anon the gas-
lights were passed his punched face
showed white, and his big eyes seek-
ed riveted on the jovial Nedham. When
the merchant left the bus with a heavy
"good night" to all and sundry, the
stripling rose and slipped off too.

Twelve midnight had long since
passed from the church steeple oppo-
site, and still Thomas Nedham, city
merchant and importer, lay wide
awake. Usually he was a heavy sleep-
er.

He had just last night overheard that
conversation."

Nedham laughed and laid the crop on
the table.
"You young fool!" he said. "You do
not know Tom Nedham, or you would
not have tried this mug's game of."
He rubbed his hands. "Tom Nedham
has never been known to be caught
napping, never!"

"I have heard said," replied the bur-
gular nervously, "that you are a smart
man of business—a very smart man of
business," he added, raising his eyes
and looking Nedham squarely in the
face.

"You flatter me, young man," chuck-
led the portly merchant. "And who,
may I ask, reported so favorably of
me?"

"My name," replied the stripling,
leaning over the table—"my name is
Wilkins. My father was your partner."
And having fired that shot he awaited
results.

Nedham shivered slightly, and his
face changed color. In a moment, how-
ever, he had mastered himself.

"Ah," he said lightly, "are you the
boy I've heard him speak so often
about? How strangely people meet
sometimes! Who could have dreamed
that I should have had the pleasure of
seeing you at such an unlikely hour
and place? Sit down, sir; sit down!
It is cold as an iceberg here. Let me
get you a whisky and soda." And he
passed over to the sideboard.

The housebreaker protested, but the
old gentleman insisted.

"To tell you the truth," he said,
laughing, "you've given me quite a
turn. I need something to still my
fluttering heart, and I make it a rule
never to drink alone when there is
company about."

No saying he handed Wilkins the
frothing stimulant, and, filling up his
own glass to the brim, he raised it
with:

"Well, sir, I drink to you, and I sin-
cerely hope I have not disappointed
you by appearing so unexpectedly on
the scene tonight."

The stripling drank in silence. For
a minute no words passed.

"I suppose," Wilkins muttered, at
last, "you will now send for the po-
lice?"

The merchant laughed loudly as he
lay back in his chair.

"Why police?" he said. "You have
not robbed me."

"I had that intention," was the re-
ply. "But, like most of my other
schemes in life, it did not come off.
But remember if I had cleared your
sideboard I should not have called my-
self a robber—not even a lawbreaker.
My father has told me that you robbed
him and were the cause of his ruin at
the end."

Nedham drew himself up, dazing on
his seat.

"I do assure you," he said soothly,
"there is no vestige of truth in the
narration. You may not know that
your father was subject to hallucina-
tions long before we parted company."

"I disagree with you, sir," said the
other, with a trembling lip. "That
is all I ask now and need not be
argued over. My father is far be-
yond business trickery at this moment.
But candidly I bear you a bitter
grudge and ever will do so. So does
another—my mother."

"Your mother?" queried the old man
in a whisper. "She is still alive, then?
Ah, the mention of her brings back to
me the days of youth! I presume your
father never told you how he came be-

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hours for express trains, and twelve
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the two coasts—say from London via
Suez to Yokohama—consumes thirty-
eight days. Something like a week may
be saved from this account by following
the American or Canadian route. From
Bremen to Shanghai consumes
forty-seven days, and from Marseilles to
Yokohama via the Messageries Maritimes
line forty days. Taking the minimum
time, thirty-one days, and while it is
being covered by ship and car, ever Brit-
ish routes a Russian freight train can
leave Moscow and run to Vladivostok
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ing.

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Caught by a Dream.

He had been paying attention to her
for a long time and seemed to be slow
in putting into practice any of the beau-
tiful theories of love and domestic com-
forts and all that sort of thing with which
he had very often beguiled the happy
hours. She thought she might bring him
to the scratch but she did not want to
make it altogether too plain. She
thought that under a kind of allegory
she might "use" him. So the next time
he came he found her in the garden
reclining in the hammock. An open book
was lying beside her, her hand carelessly
resting upon it; the other hand was
gracefully posed pressing back her hair;
her eyes were fixed dreamily on the
cloudless blue, seen through the interlaced
foliage of the trees. He approached. Ap-
parently he heard her not. He looked at
the picture a moment while she was
steeped in reverie. He spoke.

"She gave a little start, and gently
rubbed her eyes.

"Is it you, George, is it?" she cried
softly. "I was dreaming."

"Dreaming! And what were you
dreaming of?"

"It was silly—ridiculous. I won't tell
you."

"Do tell me."

"No—it was so silly."

"Do tell me what it was."

"Well, you won't laugh at me," she
said coquely.

"No, indeed I won't."

"I dreamed that I was married, and I
was living in a pretty little cottage all
covered with honeysuckle and woodbine
and roses, and my husband—"

"What was he like?"

"He was a very nice-looking man. He
had beautiful dark hair and eyes and
was tall."

George made no remark. George was
blonde and short.

"But you know, George," she said,
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for every woman that she should never
ride a bicycle after a distinct feeling of
weariness comes over her. For those
who are beginning, especially, and in a
measure for all women, there is a danger
of riding out a certain distance, and
only turning towards home when this
feeling of weariness comes on. In such
cases the strain on the nervous system
all the way home is very great, and by
the time the end of the journey is
reached, it is a certain distance, and
this time—the rider is exhausted, to
such an extent that a severe headache
or some more serious indisposition is
the result. There is no other reason
for this than the fact that she did not
prescribe for herself a certain distance
before starting out, which was not to be
exceeded under any circumstances. No
ordinary woman who rides for pleasure
once or twice a week should do over
about ten miles at a time. This is
perhaps an honest rule, that may be
easily extended to an hour and a quar-
ter before that a distance is covered, and
if she does not feel fresh and in a glow
when she stops she may be certain
that she has ridden too long. Naturally
there is the healthy tired feeling which
any one recognizes after athletic exer-
cise, but it is quite different from and
never to be mistaken for the weariness
which comes from too much exertion
and straining of the nerves and muscles.

Many few women have ever been in-
jured on a bicycle who kept to the rule
and limited their riding to normal
distances.

The limit of distance which is dis-
tinguished by the first feeling of weariness,
is the limit.

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a collection of pearls worth £1,000. Well, he kept the treasure in a room whose windows were sheathed, nightly in heavy shutters. Bolted and bolted again. But of course he rose one morning to find the lot gone. That broke the old fellow's heart, and from then till they placed him in Norwood cemetery he was never off the rocks.

As the old gentleman proceeded in a hasty voice to tell stories of the burglaries that he had known to befall his friends the tall young fellow immediately behind him showed signs of nervousness. His sagging uneasily in his seat, and as ever and anon the gaslights were passed he pinched his fingers and his big eyes seemed riveted on the floor of the room. When the merchant left the bus with a hearty "good night" to all and sundry, the struggling rose and slipped off too.

Twelve midnight had long since been reached from the church steeple opposite, and still Thomas Nedham, city merchant and importer, lay wide awake. Usually he was a heavy sleeper, but tonight slumber had deserted him, though before coming to bed he had done his best to soothe her by the sight and touch of two timbers of strong brandy.

The active brain insisted on scrutinizing and dissecting the stock and share list of the previous day and mulling through his now silent city warrens. The old gentleman chuckled as he held his eyes tight and continued before him the thousands of good things that lumbered every inch of his stores.

"Wonderful!" he said audibly. "What a great thing many sometimes grow from a small one. To be sure! Only 27 years ago and I was wondering how I could meet a full for £2 15s. Now new blouses added, six and fifty warreners, piles of paying work and still growing, growing, growing! Wonder what Wilkins would think of it all if he was looking up now? Poor Wilkins! They tell me he died despairing that I had robbed him. That was a cruel thing to say. No robbery, say I, but a business transaction—a smart business transaction. Besides, in my time I was never in question of it for fit. But for Wilkins I should not have been a butcher."

Nedham rested uneasily in bed, and through a doorway arched with crimson curtains, he stole to the land of forgetfulness.

How long he slept he hardly knew, but he woke with a start. He had the distinct impression that he felt warm breath on his face, and springing out of bed, he switched on the electric light. No trace of an intruder was in the room, but the door, which Nedham felt sure he had shut, stood partly ajar.

Hastily pulling on his dressing gown and showing his bare feet into slippers, he reached a heavy riding coat from the wall and slung down stairs. As he opened the dressing room door there was that shifting of heavy feet, and when the light went up a tall, slender fellow stability dressed stood revealed. The two men faced each other across the table, Nedham gripping tight the white mantle.

"Now," he said in a wonderfully composed voice, "I've caught you clean. What in all the world may you want here?"

The youngster removed his battered hat, and his eyes fell on a finger of ivory to his cheek.

"A straight question demands a straight answer," he replied. "I am in quest of some of the silver plate you looted about on the top of the Han-

schemes in life, it did not come off. But remember if I had cleared your sideboard, I should not have called myself a robber—not even a laybreaker. My father has told me that you robbed him and were the cause of his ruin at the end."

Nedham drew himself up, blushing on his seat.

"I do assure you," he said soothingly, "there is no vestige of truth in the accusation. You may not know that your father was subject to hallucinations long before we parted company."

"I disagree with you, sir," put in the other, with a trembling lip. "But that is all past now and need not be mourned over. My father is far beyond business trickery at this moment. But candidly I bear you a bitter grudge and ever will do so. So does another—my mother."

"Your mother?" queried the old man in a whisper. "She is still alive, then? Ah, the mention of her brings back to me the days of youth! I presume your father never told you how he came between us and made the only woman I ever loved his wife?"

"I am in no mood for sentiment," the young man interrupted. "And besides that, too, is a bygone. What I do know is that the terrible crash came unexpectedly and brought down to the earth like a card castle all that made for happiness with us. I had to leave college, and though I have tried, I never have been able to mind the broken thread of my life. But all this does not interest you. And be moved toward the door."

"Do have another drink!" insisted the merchant. "It is bitterly cold outside, and you may have a long way to walk."

The offer was declined.

As the gentleman burglar passed in to the hall he turned with a forced smile and said:

"I came by the back door and will go by it, I presume?"

"Not at all!" cried Nedham effusively. "No visitor at Woodlands has ever been allowed to do that. Let me show you out by the front door, and the next you come to see me perhaps you will give me father warning than you did this morning."

He opened the door and held out his hand. The youngster took it coldly.

"By the way," said the merchant, "is your mother in need of money?"

"Money?" said Wilkins, drawing himself up proudly on the doorstep. "Charlie? And from such a son? Thank God, we are not yet reduced to that level."

And so saying, he passed out into the night. Nedham listened to the retreating footsteps for some moments and then quietly shut the door.

"Queer fellow, certainly!" he chuckled. "But a boy of spirit—aye, a boy of spirit!" he added emphatically as he pulled on the bolts.

The Australian branch of Mr. Nedham's business, which he opened at Melbourne some four years ago, is thriving beyond all expectations. But when business thrives, congratulate Mr. Nedham he laughs and says:

"I mustn't take the credit. It's young Wilkins' concern. I'm taking him into partnership with the new year."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Famed in History.

Teacher—Now, will some bright little boy tell me what bird is the most famous in American history? This—Sammy—I know, teacher. The Plymouth Rock rooster is!—Detroit Free Press.

foliage of the trees. He approached, apparently he heard her. He looked at the picture a moment while she was stepped in reverie. He spoke.

"She gave a little start, and gently rubbed her eyes."

"Is it you, George, is it?" she cried softly. "I was dreaming."

"Dreaming! And what were you dreaming of?"

"It was silly—ridiculous. I won't tell you."

"Do tell me."

"No—it was so silly."

"Do tell me what it was."

"Well, you won't laugh at me," she said.

"No, indeed I won't."

"I dreamed that I was married, and I was living in a pretty little cottage all covered with honeysuckle and woodbine and roses, and my husband—"

"What was he like?"

"He was a very nice-looking man. He had beautiful dark hair and eyes and he was tall."

George made no remark. George was blonde and short.

"But I know, George," she said, after a pause had grown a little awkward, "dreams always go by contraries." George gave the point.

Chickens in Boston.

In the limits of Boston it is often an offense punishable with a \$50 fine, to keep or kill a chicken or fowl of any kind. The same statute also forbids the sale of live fowl on the streets or in the markets. The slaughter of the feathered tribe must also be conducted in one building that the authorities have designated for that purpose. To keep flocks from raising chickens on their own premises seems a bit tyrannical, but the regulation was made in the public interest, and done for sanitary reasons.

The business of keeping fowls in the crowded residence sections had developed grave abuses. Some of the dealers were in the habit of confining large numbers in the basements of their dwellings; others scooped them in the narrow and dark passages between two houses. Slaughtered on the premises by the hundreds, there arose from such places an intolerable stench, and an entire neighborhood would be polluted by the foul odors. This gave rise to such frequent complaints that the iron-clad regulation was enacted that puts everybody on the same plane.

Queen Punishments.

There were some queer modes of punishment for naughty girls and boys in our grandmothers' days. When stitches went awry in patchwork the small fingers were smartly snapped with the slender forefinger and thumb, the former capped with a heavy thimble of huge dimensions. The more acute severe than the mere telling word, imply, and the young culprit soon learned to dread it. Another punishment for minor offenses was to tie the naughty child's plaister over its head and tapping the child's forehead with a stick, scratched out from the bosom of her dress, evidently carried there for that purpose.

How to Tell the Cross.

Whelmen are continually comparing gears, and unless there is a table of some sort at hand; they often have trouble in arriving at the correct result. Here is a never-failing rule for 28-inch wheels, heterophras unpublished: Count the teeth on each sprocket, if there are 8 teeth on the rear sprocket, multiply the number of teeth on the large sprocket by 4; if there are 7 teeth on the rear sprocket, multiply by 3½. For instance, a wheel with 7 teeth rear and 20 teeth front will be geared to 20; one with 8 teeth rear and 20 front is 70.

Habit.

"Habit" is hard to overcome. If you take off the first letter it does not change "a bit." If you take another you still have a "bit" left. If you take off another the whole of "it," asthma. If you take off yet another, you are left with "used up." All of which goes to show that if you wish to be rid of a "habit" you must throw it off altogether.

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Local Interest

An amusing incident is related by Mr. Neil McDougall in connection with the running of the meridian between Rainy River and Thunder Bay districts. When the line was being cut across Sturgeon Lake the Indians were immensely interested in the strange freak on the part of the white men, and presently began to play the game of white man cutting lines and planting stakes, at their own sweet will, through the bush, without any reference to distance or direction. And these lines are to be seen on Sturgeon Lake to this day.—Waggoner Star.

An entertainment and social will be held in the Swedish Lutheran church on Saturday evening, May 18, at 8 p. m. A good program is being prepared and an enjoyable time may be expected. The entertainment is under the auspices of the ladies society. Admission 25c. children 15c.

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and hoped that the example of such a life had left its impress upon the community. Appropriate addresses were also given by Revs. Rochester and Tapscott. Mr. Herbert Carpenter played the Dead March in Saul at the close, and with bowed heads the audience stood in respectful silence, listening to the beautiful and mournful strains.

The board of directors of the Royal Jubilee Hospital met last night. The question of improving the sewer connection was discussed and a committee composed of Messrs. Belyea and Currie was appointed to get the work done at once.

Mrs. T. Brighty and son left last night for Michipicoten to join Mr. Brighty.

A. McLelland, Dr. Laidlaw, W. Reilly returned yesterday from their fishing trip to the Mikado. Their fish stories are very good; and true, too, they say.

John Clelland and wife and family came in yesterday morning from the Mikado.

The Matheson, McLeod fishing crew left this morning for Whitefish Rapids where they will carry on their work this season.

E. J. P. Smith, of Toronto, was in town on Saturday.

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J. K. McLaughlan, of Owen Sound, was in town yesterday.

Silas Griffiths arrived home from the east on Monday morning.

R. McWaters, H. Lonsdale and R. McCormick, of Mikado, are in town.

Marshall Pitroines leaves tonight for Buffalo. He will visit his home in Sarnia before going to the Pan-American.

The Rowing club will hold a local regatta here on Tuesday, May 21st. All members who wish to compete at this regatta will kindly report their names at the Rowing club building no later than to-morrow, Wednesday evening, so that the crews may be arranged at once.

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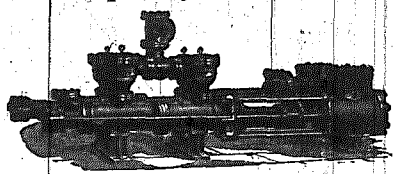
I have no defence.
You were long in suspension.
And at last had some reason to see.
Yet it is not my creed,
No paper to read,
And I find it high time to renew.

I live far from town,
And don't go much around
And of locals can't give you my views.
I am out on a creek,
With a few for to speak,
But a terrible dearth of the news.

My dollars are few,
But I send one to you,
As it now is a holiday time,
With a kick at your paper,
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I call it scarce short of a crime.

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A HIGHER STANDARD.

Synopsis of a Sermon by
Rev. W. M. Rochester
of Knox Church.

Sensational preaching as popularly conceived is to be condemned. When the end in view is no degree higher than to startle or amuse, and subject and language are chosen accordingly, then the approval of thoughtful minds must be withheld. Perhaps nothing is so contemptible as trickery and insincerity in public speech. Only to tickle the fancy, excite to tears, awaken the passions of anger and alarm, or to accomplish all of these results is to fall far short of the true aim of all preaching and teaching. All speech that creates a sensation may not be commended, but it nevertheless is a fag that all true, seasonable speech carries a stink of some kind. In this latter sense Christ was a sensational preacher. His words fell now like fire upon the heads of His hearers, and again His doctrine distilled gently as the dew and brought solace and joy to the hardened and hopeless. At this distance of time it is hard to measure the exact effect of these words. "Except your righteousness exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." We imagine, however, they must have fallen like a thunder bolt out of a clear sky. His hearers must have been startled into amazement. This was a sentence of exclusion exceedingly awful and passed upon a class for whom above all others it was least expected. Not only were they sure of Heaven, but for their were to be reserved the high honors of that place. Whether the people discerned at all the insincerity and corruptness of their leaders is not declared. Some doubtless pierced their shadowy pretensions. Yet the mass of the people paid homage to scribes and pharisees as the spiritual autocrats of the time, hence the astonishment created by Christ's message. It is again His assertion that many who are first shall be last, and the last first. The popular standard of righteousness is never safe. In its highest degree it may fall far short of the true. Favorable comparison with

case. They entered into every detail of private, family, and public life. With iron logic and most minute analysis they pursued and dominated man, turn whither he might, laying upon him a yoke which was truly unbearable. They ignored the spirit of religion. To their face Jesus once said, "Ye pay tithes of mint, and anise, and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law judgment, mercy, and faith." In matters of form and petty detail they were most punctilious. Their ritual for the Sabbath was impossible to rectify, not to speak of performing, while they were without the spirit which commends the worshipper in the sight of God. Let us have a care lest we be taken in the same snare. It is an old-time and persistent tendency of human nature to be satisfied with a form, with doing some things and leaving others undone. Let us remember the words of Paul, "The kingdom of heaven is not meat and drink but righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

2. Lowliness of mind more than self-assertion. For them, the scribes and pharisees, Christ intended these words, "Whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted." There was no mistaking their superciliousness. Pride marked every feature and movement. They loved the uppermost seats in the synagogue. "Each scribe outweighed ALL the common people. He was honored of God and his praises were proclaimed by the angels." They separated themselves from the common people, and loudly condemned Christ for going to dine with publicans and sinners.

The religion of Jesus means not self-assertion, but self-denial; not self-importance, but the subduing and the hiding of self. In the example of Christ we have exemplified the spirit of Christianity. "Who made Himself of no reputation and took upon Him the form of a servant." He came not to be ministered unto but to minister. Apostolic precept teaches us in lowliness of mind to esteem others better than ourselves. See that this element of true religion is not wanting in us, for God has respect unto the lowly but the proud He knoweth afar off.

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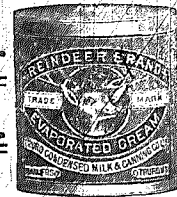
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I have no defence.
You were long in suspense.
And at last had some reason to sue:
Yet it is not my creed.
No paper to read,
And I find it high time to renew.

I live far from town,
And don't go much around
And of locals can't give you my views.
I am out on a creek.
With a few for to speak,
But a terrible death of the news.

My dollars are few.
But I send one to you.
As it now is a holiday time,
With a kick at your paper.
In stopping my paper,
I call it scarce short of a crime.

When it is time to renew
You can bet I am through.
If yet that you find me to slumber,
With an inked old list.
Strike me clear off the list,
By cutting me off at the number.

The expenditures of New York city for 1900 amounted to \$135,000,000, and this is a fair yearly average. Of this sum \$72,000,000 was derived from taxation, and the rest from the sale of bonds and miscellaneous sources. During the year the bonded indebtedness increased by \$85,000,000, or thirteen millions more than the year's taxes. The net bonded debt is now \$277,617,770.

The Rev. Principal Grant, speaking the other night at the National club, Toronto, paid a high tribute to the memory of Sir John A. Macdonald. He had wonderful ability as leader of men, and great humanity. Principal Grant also believed the essential basis of Sir John's character to have been religious, despite many hard contrary things said of him. On the other hand he believed that if Sir Oliver Mowat had perchance been called to occupy Sir John's position, he would have proved quite equal to the occasion, being a "great constitutional lawyer and statesman, ever firm and zealous for the public interest." The one had, the other has, said Principal Grant, a strain of high unselfish patriotism.

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One writer says that the New Testament, though it speaks popularly, is yet our most reliable authority upon the character and standing of the pharisees. Turning their face to Jesus' words as recorded elsewhere in this Gospel we gather that a righteousness exceeding that of the scribes and pharisees must emphasize.

The spirit more than the letter Great sticklers were these for the literal and minute observance of the law. They imposed rules without limit, and exacted strict obedience to them. The mass of tradition that gathered about the statutes of Israel under them assumed amazing proportions. In this wilderness of comment, they provided for every possible and impossible

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4. Example rather than precept. It is comparatively easy to be a teacher. Of the pharisees Christ said, "They say and do not." Fair talk will not pass muster at Heaven's gate. Hence though men study and teach theology and morality; this service will not guarantee them admission to the kingdom. Doing must support teaching, and character be behind profession. "Not every one that saith unto me Lord! Lord! shall enter the kingdom of heaven but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven," said Christ; and an apostle later echoes His words by saying, "But be ye doers of the word and not hearers only: deceiving your own selves." How awful to teach and not live! How serious the wrong when we will not ourselves enter the kingdom, but stand at the gate to keep others out. Jesus places this standard of admission to the glory of God's presence and the company of redeemed beyond question, and compels our personal consideration of it when he declares, "That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and pharisees ye shall in no case enter the kingdom of heaven."

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF William Henry Carpenter, late of the Town of Rat Portage in the District of Rainy River, Sheriff, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to R.S.O. 1897 Chap. 120, that all persons having claims against the estate of the above named William Henry Carpenter, Sheriff, deceased, who died on or about the 26th day of November, 1900, are required on or before the 11th day of May, 1901, to send to Messrs. Langford & Moran, Rat Portage, Solicitors for Clarence Herbert Carpenter, Administrator of the estate of the said William Henry Carpenter, deceased, their full names and addresses and a statement of their claims and proof thereof and the nature of their security (if any) held by them.

And notice is hereby given that from and after the 1st day of May, 1901, the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the estate of the deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have received notice, and the Administrator will not be liable for the said estate or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims he shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution.

LANGFORD & MORAN,
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Solicitors for the Administrator.
Dated this 23rd day of April, 1901.
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